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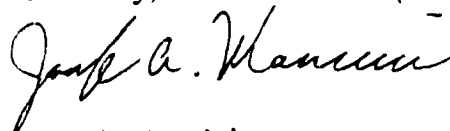
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

When I heard that I had the opportunity to express my opinion about the Microsoft antitrust case resolution, I was quite excited. The resolution that was reached was a fair and equitable one that I think is beneficial to all parties involved, and I would like to that resolution become the final result of the three year long litigation.

Many things within this settlement make it beneficial. First, it provides equal terms, conditions, and prices to all hardware companies dealing with Microsoft. It also prevents Microsoft from taking retaliatory measures against any company that promotes software other than Microsoft software. This settlement even requires that Microsoft provide interface information to companies in order that the technology playing field may be more level. No more guidelines could possibly be levied without becoming unhealthy.

Therefore, I urge you to leave the resolution as is, change it no further. The current settlement will provide all the protection needed to the smaller companies while still preserving competition to the utmost.

Sincerely,



Joseph Mancini